# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# TEXTILES
# LOK SABHA

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Performance of Textile Sector
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**Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:**

(a) the details of segments that have performed well in Textile and Clothing sectors during the last two years and the current year, year-wise and segment-wise;

(b) the extent to which the global gloom is impacting export of clothing and textile from the country and the steps being taken by the Government to deal with the situation and boost the exports from the country;

(c) whether the exports of handicrafts, including handmade carpets, has shown improvement in the first half of 2016-17 as compared to the same period in the last year and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) The manner in which the Government is planning to push the exports of said items?

## Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): The details of exports segment-wise and year-wise of textiles and clothing in the last two years and the current year is at Annexure-I. The segments that are doing well are Apparel, Carpets and Handicrafts. Due to global slowdown, the exports of total Textiles & Clothing including handicraft has shown a negative growth of 4% during April-November, 2017 in US$ terms compared to the same period previous year.

The government is implementing schemes like Amended Technology Upgradation Fund Scheme (ATUFS), Pradhan Mantri Paridhan Rojgar Protsahan Yojna (PMPRPY), Scheme of Rebate of State Levies (RoSL) on export of garments, Schemes for Technical textiles Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks (SITP), Integrated Skill Development Scheme etc. to modernize textile industry, increase production and global competitiveness.

Besides, the Government has taken following initiatives to augment the textile exports:-

(i) MEIS Scheme under new Foreign Trade Policy 2015-20.

(ii) Restoring Interest rate subvention for pre and post shipment credit for the textile sector,
(iii) Expanding the scope of Merchandise Export from India Scheme (MEIS) since 29.10.2015 to 110 new tariff lines and increase rates or country coverage or both for 2228 existing tariff lines.

(iv) Increased Duty Drawback rates for some textile articles.

(v) Market Access Initiative (MAI) Scheme.

(vi) Market Development Assistance (MDA) Scheme.

(vii) Duty Free import of trimmings, embellishments and other specified item under Export Performance Certificate Entitlement Scheme.

(c) & (d): Yes, as per details at Annexure-II. The exports of Handicrafts has increased from Rs. 10995 crores in April-September (i.e. first half) 2015-16 to Rs. 13005 crores in April-September 2016-17 by 18% in rupees term. In dollar terms, the exports has increased from US$ 1712 million to US$ 1943 million by 13.5% over the similar period. Government is providing assistance to all exports as mentioned in part (a) & (b) above.